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WHILE THE CONVENING OF THE NATIONAL PEOPLE'S CONGRESS
MAY HAVE SETTLED THE QUESTION OF LEADERSHIP OF THE
ARMY FOR THE TIME BEING, THE DEBATE OVER MISSILES
VERSUS CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS AND POLITICAL TRAINING
SEEMS TO REMAIN VERY MUCH A LIVE ISSUE. THE PEKING
UNIVERSITY JOURNAL ARTICLE OF LAST OCTOBER WHICH
APPEARED TO PUT THE GUIDED MISSILE ENTHUSIASTS ON THE
DEFENSIVE BY LINKING MISSILES TO LIN PIAO (REFTEL) HAS BEEN
TRANSLATED INTO ENGLISH FOR THE CURRENT (JANUARY 31) ISSUE
OF "PEKING REVIEW". MEANWHILE, THE FIRST ISSUE FOR 1975
OF THE "AVIATION JOURNAL" (HANG KUNG CHIH SHIH) CARRIES
TWO DESCRIPTIVE ARTICLES ON GUIDED MISSILES, A
CENTER SPREAD SHOWING A MISSILE ON A TRANSPORTER,
AND FEATURES ON ITS COVER A PAINTING OF A SLEEK ROCKET
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TAKING OFF IN A SETTING OF WESTERN CHINA MOUNTAINS.

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